UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 2 DISTRICT OF NEVADA 3 ALLEN OWENS, Case No.: 2:23-cv-00112-APG-VCF Plaintiff **Order Denying Motion to Remand** 4 5 [ECF No. 15] v. GNLV, LLC, 6 7 Defendant 8 Plaintiff Allen Owens moves to remand this case to state court because he believes defendant GNLV, LLC "has admitted that it is a citizen of the State of Nevada in its petition for removal." ECF No. 15 at 1. If true, removal is barred by the "forum defendant" rule of 28 U.S.C. § 1441(b)(2). 11 12 GNLV's petition properly traces GNLV's ownership through its several parent entities to demonstrate that it is a citizen of Texas for diversity purposes. ECF No. 7 at 1-2. Thus, there is 14 no basis for Owens' motion to remand. 15 I strongly recommend to Owens' counsel that, before filing motions in the future, he read 16 the pleadings carefully and call opposing counsel to discuss whether there is a real dispute. A 17 simple phone call here would have saved the parties and this court valuable time and resources in addressing a meritless motion. Frivolous motions can result in sanctions. 18 19 I THEREFORE ORDER that the plaintiff's motion to remand (ECF No. 15) is 20 **DENIED.** 21 DATED this 8th day of March, 2023. 22 ANDREW P. GORDON UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 23